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St. Louis Waterlily

# Water Lilies

## AND AQUATIC PLANTS

NURSERY: WATERSIDE AVENUE • NORTHPORT, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

## SHIPPING TERMS

Water plants may be shipped safely at any time. Shipments will be made at as early a date as experience has shown us is advisable for your particular locality, unless otherwise instructed. Orders will not be delayed.

Tropical Water Lilies are shipped from May 25th on.

Aquarium Plants, when ordered alone, are shipped at once.

All waterplants are shipped by Parcel Post unless customer specifies some other carrier. If Express is specified shipment will be made charges collect.

**Items other than waterplants will be shipped by Express.**

Terms: Orders are accepted only when accompanied by funds sufficient to cover price of goods.

WE PAY POSTAGE ON ALL RETAIL ORDERS FOR WATERPLANTS ONLY

OVER \$5.00 WITHIN THE UNITED STATES;

OTHERWISE ADD 50¢ FOR POSTAGE

We carry Fish Food, Fertilizer and Waterlily Containers made to order. For Customers who are able to visit the Nursery we plant the Lilies in containers for a nominal charge, and all you have to do is place them in your pool.

### WE INVITE YOU TO VISIT OUR NURSERIES

We are located on the North Shore of Long Island approximately 35 miles from New York City, easily accessible by auto or train, for customers on Long Island, New York City and Westchester, etc. Our Nursery is on Waterside Avenue, Northport, one mile North of Route 25A

Open Sundays, Holidays and Evenings during APRIL, MAY and JUNE.

### OUR GUARANTEE

Our Fair Dealing over the 48 years we have been in business offers you the best guarantee possible.

We grow the finest plants possible, ship excellent quality tubers that are true to name and pack each order carefully so it will arrive in good condition.

Any information desired will be given freely by us.

If material does not arrive in good condition, be sure your claim is noted by the carrier upon arrival and notify us promptly.

We must be notified not later than July 10th, should any plant fail to grow, we will gladly replace it providing the old lily tuber is returned and postage is paid on replacement.

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*Largest Water Lily Growers on Long Island*



# Complete Tub Garden of WATER LILIES AND AQUATICS

Anyone with a garden can grow water lilies easily . . . and at low cost! Our complete tub gardens enable you to set up an exquisite Lily Pool in a matter of minutes . . . and to grow the loveliest aquatic plants in your own garden. Water features are always garden focal points. Glamourize your garden with a Lily Pool this year!

**\$7.50**

## **HERE'S WHAT YOU GET A Complete Water Garden for only \$7.50**

1 PERMANIZED TUB. 22" diameter. Medium gauge, rust-resistant galvanized metal, heavily coated with black asphaltum inside and out!

1 EXOTIC WATER LILY PLANT. Your choice of white, pink or blue. Superior plants from our own aquatic gardens!

2 UMBRELLA PALMS. Very graceful fan-shaped foliage! Extremely attractive!

3 WATER HYACINTHS. Lovely orchid-like blooms add exotic charm to the aquatic garden!

3 OXYGENATING PLANTS. Purify water with life-giving oxygen . . . help other plants grow better!

8 SNAILS. Sleek little scavengers that devour dirt and waste . . . help keep water clean and fresh.

## **HERE'S HOW YOU SET 'EM UP!**

Select a sunny location. Imbed tub about 11" deep. Fill tub with 5 or 6" of good top soil. Plant water lily, umbrella palms and oxygenating plants, water poppies and parrot feathers. Cover surface of soil with ½" layer of sand. Fill tub with water. Place floating plants and snails in water! And that's all. Your tub garden is ready to flourish!



## **EXTRA! LARGER TUB GARDENS In Limited Quantities!**

Rectangular tubs of identical construction 24" x 45" x 12" — nearly twice the capacity of the 22" round tub gardens! Includes everything offered in the \$7.50 garden PLUS 3 continuous-blooming Water Poppies that float on water surface AND 2 bunches of hardy, exotic Parrot Feather water plants! A magnificent central feature for any garden!

**all for only \$14.50**



## ST. LOUIS WATER LILY

Bright yellow tropical Water Lily with star shaped blooms averaging 10 inches in diameter. Sturdy, prolific bloomer.

First of the yellow flowers. Has beautiful mottled foliage. A wonderful addition to your pool.

\$4.00

(Illustration on  
Cover)

## PENNSYLVANIA (*Blue Beauty*)

No pool is complete without the PENNSYLVANIA BLUE BEAUTY illustrated above — an outstanding variety — one of the most popular water lilies. The flowers, a beautiful clear blue, are large and bloom from Spring until frost. .... EACH \$ 2.75

### *The Care of your Water Lilies!*

Hardy Lilies may be planted any time from the 1st of April until the middle of August.

Tropical Lilies may be planted when the temperature averages seventy degrees or about May 25th.

Water lilies come into flower early in the season and bloom until frost.

Concrete pools are best left full of water and covered with boards and straw. Hardy Water lilies will winter in the pool if the water does not freeze deeply, but Tropical Lilies are best considered as annuals and purchased new each year. Hardy Lilies growing in boxes may be taken into a cool basement until Spring. Care to be taken not to allow them to dry out.

Running water is neither necessary nor desirable and may retard the development of Water Lilies by keeping the temperature too low.

New concrete pools should be filled with water and drained at least four (4) times before any fish or plants are introduced.

Planting instructions are attached to every Water Lily tuber shipped.



## *Small Pool Collection*

No. S-1

- 2 Bog Plants for Centerpiece
- 6 Plants for Margins or corners
- 2 Oxygenating Plants
- 2 Floating Plants (our choice)

6 varieties in all

**\$2.25**

## *Regular Pool Collection*

No. R-2

- 3 Blue Flag
- 3 Parrot Feather
- 3 Water Hyacinth
- 3 Floating Heart
- 3 Sagittaria
- 3 Primrose Creeper

18 Plants — 6 varieties

**\$2.95**

Tropical Lilies provide twenty-four hours of continuous bloom each day from settled weather in spring until fall. They adapt themselves to the largest Pools or the smallest Tub-Gardens, the size of the flowers alone being affected depending on the amount of soil and water surface provided. We ship only mature, potted plants, many already in flower which produce fully developed plants giving a wealth of bloom in a surprisingly short time after setting out. Tropical Lillies are of two distinct types. The Day Blooming Lilies whose flowers open with the sun and close at evening and the Night Blooming Lilies whose flowers open in the afternoon and remain open until late the following morning. For constant succession of bloom the Tropical Lilies are unexcelled.

## **PANAMA PACIFIC**

Rich, rosy red, on first opening. When fully opened, changes to deep reddish purple with yellow stamens. One of the most popular and most promising of day bloomers. Also throws young plants which frequently flower while attached to parent plant. Highly recommended for either pool or tub culture.

EACH

**\$2.75**



## HARDY

# Water Lilies

Hardy Lilies are unexcelled for planting in natural ponds, lakes or in still pools along a river or stream bank, and will beautify the

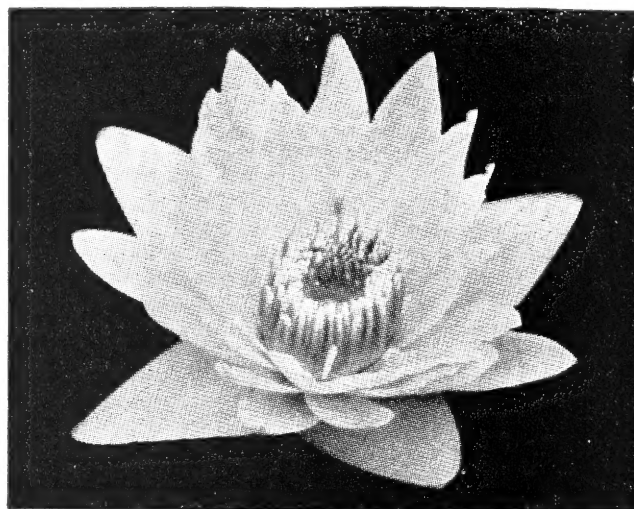
most unattractive bit of water provided they are not planted in too deep water or near a cold inlet. Once established so that the crowns will not be injured by freezing or ice, they become a source of permanent beauty. They may be grown in the smallest of pools and in tubs.

The flowers embrace all the colors from purest white, delicate shell-pink, deep rose pink to rich reds, yellows and combinations of red and yellow. There is however, no blue Hardy Lily. This color is in tropical varieties only.

## Yellows

**SUNRISE.** One of the first Lilies to open in the morning. Free bloomer, 8 to 10 inches in diameter and stands well above water. Clear sulphur yellow color. Blooms early Spring to late Fall. Superb variety. Stands crowding; does well in any depth of water. .... Each \$3.50

**MARLIAC CHROMATELLA.** Charming canary yellow, 4 to 6 inches across. Leaves green mottled with brown. Free bloomer. Advise dividing every few years. .... Each \$3.00



*Marliac Chromatella*

## Changeable Colors

These unusual Water Lilies add a novel touch to the Lily Pool. They change color from day to day. The first day they flower into a rich yellow, the shade of the color of the bloom deepens progressively until it reaches a deep bronze. These attractive and useful Lilies are available in the following colors only.

**PAUL HARIOT.** Flowers are large, cup-shaped, light yellow, delicately shaded copper-red. .... Each \$3.50

**COMANCHE.** Large flowers of rich apricot on opening, changing to dark copper-orange with red as flower ages. Leaves olive-green, flecked with brown. Each 3.50

**AURORA.** Flowers creamy yellow first day, changing to dark red by third day, giving variety of color. .... Each \$2.50



*Paul Hariot*

## Reds

**ATTRACTION.** One of the most beautiful Lilies, often 8 to 10" across. On opening it is a garnet red with almost white sepals and stamens of rich mahogany, tipped with yellow; no pool complete without it. .... Each \$4.00

**GLORIOSA.** Deep carmine rose, becoming deep red with age. Blooms continuously; 5 to 6" in diameter. Ideal for either pool or tub. .... Each \$3.50

**JAMES BRYDON.** Cup-shaped flower of rich, rose crimson, 5 to 6 inches in diameter. Early bloomer and rapid grower. This versatile lily is adaptable to either tub or pool culture. .... Each \$3.75

**CONQUEROR.** This is one of the most beautiful Lilies and produces an immense flower similar in character to the Attraction. A robust grower — strong, healthy plants. .... Each \$3.50

## Whites

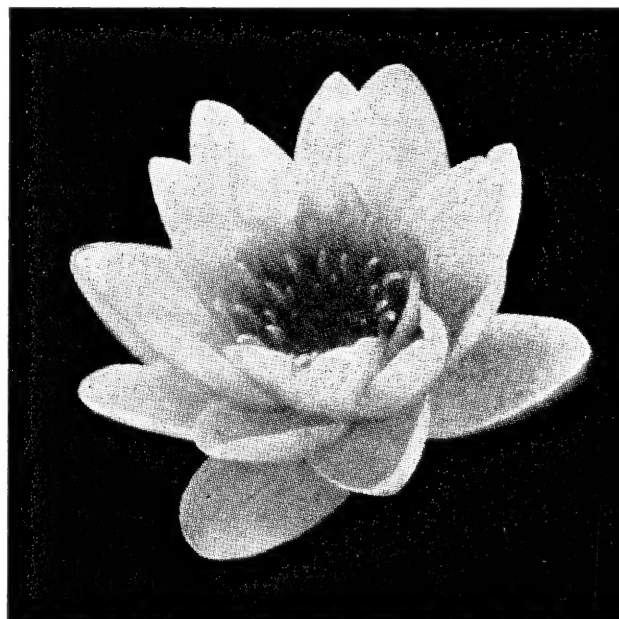
**ODORATA GIGANTEA.** Very large, pure white, very fragrant. Flowers often 6" across. A free bloomer. .... Each \$1.00

**ODORATA MINOR.** Especially valuable for tub culture. Flowers 2 to 3" in diameter. Suitable for edge of ponds. .... Each \$1.25

**MARLIAC ALBIDA.** Large size, pure white flowers with yellow stamens. Blooms entire season continuously. Sepals are tinted with pink, leaves deep green above and red beneath. .... Each \$2.25

**GLADSTONE.** Largest of white Lilies, requiring considerable space for best development. Flowers are pure white, cup-shape with golden yellow stamens. Flowers are 6 to 8" across. .... Each 2.50

**TUBEROSA MAXIMA.** Excellent for naturalization. Fast growing .... Each \$2.00



Gladstone

## Pinks

**EUGENIA DE LAND.** Flowers are extra large, very beautiful color of deep pink. Petals are pointed and incurved with golden yellow stamens. Excellent bloomers, producing very large flowers, often 7 to 8 inches in diameter. .... Each \$2.75

**HELEN FOWLER.** Deep pink with lighter center. Flowers are borne well above the water. Flowers not so large but blossoms continuously. .... Each \$2.00

**PINK OPAL.** Full-petaled, cup-shaped flowers of deep rich pink. .... Each \$2.00

**MARLIAC CARNEA.** Large, flesh pink, deeper toward center. Free flowering, with large, purplish red leaves, changing to deep green. .... Each \$2.25

**MARLIAC ROSEA.** Similar to Carnea, except that it is a deep rose pink. Flowers 3 to 5 inches. .... Each \$3.00

**ROSE AREY.** Considered the most desirable of the fragrant Lilies. Brilliant pink. Petals are pointed and incurved with golden yellow stamens. Excellent bloomers, producing large flowers 7 to 8 inches. Each \$3.00







Director **GEORGE T. MOORE**

## Blues

**MRS. ED. WHITAKER.** One of the newer hybrid Lilies and largest of day bloomers. Lavender blue on first opening, getting paler after the flower ages. Leaves beautifully mottled and streaked with dark red. Opens at 6:30 A.M., closing as late as 7:30 P.M. No other Lily remains open so long a time. Flowers about 10" across. .... Each \$2.75

**BAGDAD.** The leaves are marked with patches of dark reddish brown. The flowers are pale Wisteria blue, very fine bloomer. .... Each \$3.00

**DAUBEN.** Very light, small blue Lily, especially adapted to tub culture. Will sprout additional Lilies from the center of its leaves. .... Each \$2.00

**JUDGE HITCHCOCK.** Large, cup-shaped flowers. Color, violet blue. Stamens are gold and tipped with blue. Abundant bloomer. .... Each \$3.50

### **PENNSYLVANIA (Blue Beauty)**

This is one of the most popular blue Lilies. The flowers are large and bloom from Spring until frost. .... Each \$2.75

## Pinks

**GENERAL PERSHING.** Unique flower opening at 7 A.M. and closing at 7 P.M. Very fragrant, measuring from 8"-10" across. Flowers are borne about 12" above water. Buds dark green striped with dark purple. A fine bright color. .... Each \$3.00

**MRS. C. W. WARD.** This is a deep, rosy pink flower, with golden yellow stamens tipped with pink. The flowers are from 8 to 10 inches across. .... Each \$2.50

**PERSIAN LILAC.** This pink Lilac-colored Lily has a large number of petals. The foliage is clear light green. A very beautiful and desirable Lily. .... Each \$3.50

## DAY BLOOMING WHITE

**ISABELLE PRING.** Large pure white. the color always remains pure white. A very good Water Lily. Each \$3.25

**MRS. GEO. H. PRING.** Best pure white tropical Lily. Producing large, fragrant white flowers. .... Each \$2.50

## TROPICAL NIGHT BLOOMING

A beautiful display of brilliant color — should have a place in every pool. The designation "Night Bloomer" is a trifle misleading; the flowers close at midday, or when the sunlight becomes strongest, and opens again in the afternoon. On cloudy days of late summer, when the weather becomes cooler, they sometimes remain open through the twenty-four hours.

**DENTATA SUPERBA (JUNO).** Pure white Lily, 10 to 12 inches across, with yellow stamen. Leaves are large, deep, glossy green. Flowers very freely throughout summer. Stands well above water. Very noticeable at night. .... Each \$2.50

**MISSOURI.** The best night blooming white. Flowers early. Flowers usually 12 in. in diameter. The leaves are coppery brown when small but develop into deep green as they age. .... Each \$3.00

**OMARANA.** Flowers from 8 to 12 inches across. Beautiful rosy pink. Stamens deep orange red. One of best and free flowering of all night bloomers. .... Each \$2.50

**BISSET.** Petals extremely wide, beautiful pink. One of the best growers. Each \$2.50

**DEVONSHIRE.** Deep red, about 6 to 8 inches across. Opens 7 to 8 P. M. and closes 10 A.M. .... Each \$2.50

**ZANZIBARIENSIS ROSEA.** A fragrant, deep pink, 6 to 8 inches across. Opens earlier in the morning than some of the other varieties. .... Each \$2.25

### Zanzibariensis Rosea

## TROPICAL

## Water Lilies

## Purples

**DIRECTOR GEORGE T. MOORE.** Rich purple flowers are borne in great profusion. Often bears 8 to 10 flowers at a time. .... Each \$3.50

**PANAMA PACIFIC.** Rich, rosy red, on first opening. When fully opened, changes to deep, reddish purple with yellow stamens. One of the most popular and most promising of day bloomers. Also throws young plants which frequently flower while attached to parent plant. .... Each \$2.75

**ZANZIBARIENSIS (African Purple Lily).** Good-sized flowers, 6 to 8 inches across. .... Each \$2.50

**AUGUST KOCH.** Flowers are 7 to 8 inches in diameter and rise from 8 to 10 inches out of water. Petals are pale Wisteria violet. Excellent variety, blooms freely. Produces young plant from the surface of the leaves. One of the easiest of the tropicals to grow. Each \$2.75



# SHALLOW WATER AND BOG PLANTS

- ARROWHEAD, GIANT** (*Sagittaria Sagittifolia*). Distinctive leaves shaped as name indicates, standing 1 to 3 ft. above; flowers freely; hardy .... 2 for 50¢, Doz. \$2.50
- VARIEGATED SWEET FLAG** (*Acorus calamus Variegated*). Foliage striped green and white. Hardy ..... Each 25¢
- BUTTERFLY LILY, WHITE** (*Hedychium coronarium*). A tall, Canna-like plant with blossoms borne in umbels. .... Each 35¢
- CALLA PALUSTRIS** (*Wild Calla*). Well known native Calla. .... 2 for 50¢
- WHITE CALLA** (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*). Perpetual flowering, fine white flowers. Not Hardy ..... Each 1.00
- CHELONE GLABRA** (*Turtle Head*). White, 14 to 18 inches in height. .... 2 for 50¢
- GRACEFUL CATTAIL** (*Typha angustifolia*). A tall variety with slender cattails. 3 for 50¢
- COMMON CATTAIL** (*Typha latifolia*). Favorite native swamp plant. 4 for 50¢, ..... Dozen \$1.25
- FLOATING HEART** (*Nymphoides petatrum*). Produces brilliant yellow flowers; hardy. 3 for 50¢ ..... Dozen \$1.75
- FLOWERING RUSH** (*Butomus umbellatus*). Attractive pink flowers borne on round stems with peculiar, three-sided leaves. Hardy ..... 3 for \$1.00, doz. 2.50
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- BLUE FLAG** (*Iris versicolor*). Exactly like Yellow Flag except that flowers are blue. Each 25¢ ..... Dozen 2.50
- JAPANESE TARO**. Leaves are beautiful blue-green; underneath and around edge, lavender; attractive. .... Each 50¢
- LYTHRUM ROSEUM**. Rose-colored flowers flowering in July and August. .... 2 for 50¢
- MARSH-MARIGOLD** (*Caltha palustris*). Clusters of large, buttercup-like flowers of brilliant yellow, early in Spring. Each 25¢ ..... Dozen 2.50
- PARROT FEATHER** (*Myriophyllum proserpinacoides*). Invaluable for training over fountain. Hardy ..... Each 15¢, doz. \$1.50
- PICKEREL RUSH** (*Pointederia cordata*). Blue flowers produced freely. 2 for 50¢, doz. 2.50
- PRIMROSE CREEPER**. A rapid growing vine with bright yellow flowers. Each 20¢, ..... Dozen 1.75
- PRIMROSE WILLOW** (*Jussiaea longifolia*). Bright yellow blossoms, profusely borne in axils of leaves. Very desirable for edge of pools. .... 3 for \$1.00, doz. 2.50
- SPIRAL PALM** (Like the Umbrella Palm). Greenish-white flowers, produced in umbel. Each 25¢ ..... doz. 2.50
- SWEET FLAG** (*Acorus calamus*). The well-known Sweet Flag, sweetly scented. 3 for 50¢
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# Collections

## TROPICAL LILIES

### COLLECTION NO. 20

1 Blue Beauty	3 Umbrella Palm
1 General Pershing	3 Ludwigia
1 Devonshire	8 Ramshorn Snails
1 Bissett	1 Portion Salvia
1 Mrs. Geo. H. Pring	3 Water Lettuce
1 Zanzibariensis purpurea	3 Water Hyacinths
6 Live Bearing Snails	3 Anacharis
Value \$19.60 — For Only \$17.00 Postpaid	

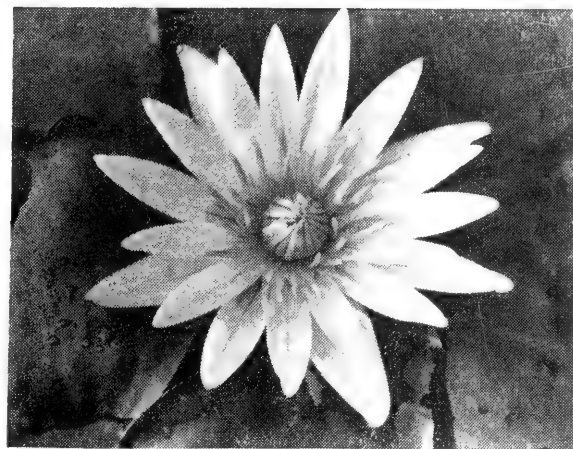
### COLLECTION NO. 2

1 Mrs. Geo. H. Pring (white) ....	} <b>\$6.75</b>
1 Blue Beauty (blue) .....	
1 Devonshire (red) .....	

### OUR EVER-POPULAR COLLECTION NO. 9

1 Mrs. George H. Pring .....	(white)
1 General Pershing .....	(pink)
1 Blue Beauty .....	(blue)

These Three Beautiful Lilies—Only  
\$7.00



MRS. GEORGE H. PRING  
(for Description see page 9)

### COLLECTION NO. 4

1 Dauben .....	} <b>\$3.75</b>
1 Bissett .....	

SEE OTHER COLLECTIONS ON PAGES  
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## HARDY LILIES

### HARDY COLLECTION NO. 11

1 Sunrise .....	} <b>\$10.50</b>
1 Pink Opal .....	
1 Marliac Albida .....	
1 Comanche .....	

### COLLECTION NO. 15

1 Comanche	3 Anacharis
1 Marliac Chromatella	3 Ludwigia
1 Gloriosa	2 Blue Flag
1 Gladstone	1 Yellow Flag
1 Eugenia De Land	6 Live Bearing Snails
3 Water Lettuce	8 Ramshorn Snails
3 Water Hyacinths	

Value \$18.75 — For only \$16.50 Postpaid

### COLLECTION NO. 6

1 Gladstone (white) .....	} <b>\$11.25</b>
1 Marliac Chromatella	
1 Rose Arey (pink) .....	
1 Attraction (red) .....	

### COLLECTION NO. 5

1 Odorata gigantea (white) ....	} <b>\$2.75</b>
1 Marliac carnea (pink) .....	

### COLLECTION NO. 7

1 Odorata gigantea (white) ....	} <b>\$8.50</b>
1 Helen Fowler (pink) .....	
1 Aurora (changeable) .....	
1 Gloriosa (red) .....	

### COLLECTION NO. 8

1 Marliac albida (white) .....	} <b>\$6.50</b>
1 Marliac chromatella (yellow)	
1 Marliac carnea (pink) .....	

### COLLECTION NO. 25

1 Missouri White .....	} <b>\$8.50</b>
1 Panama Pacific Purple .....	
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# Plants etc.

## Gold Fish

We carry Gold Fish, but do not ship. Please remember to bring your own container when calling at the nursery to purchase fish.

## Water Lotus

The sacred flower of the Egyptians. The flowers are borne about a foot above water. Leaves are very large and beautiful; some standing well above water, other floating on the water. No garden complete without it. Very fragrant. Beautiful centerpiece in pool.

Should not be transplanted after June 1st.

**NELUMBIUM SPECIOSUM.** The true flower of the Egyptians. Large, rosy pink. A free bloomer and hardy. .... Each \$3.50

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**AZOLLA** (*Azolla caroliniana*). Small, crinkly green plants ..... Portion 25¢

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1 Zanzibariensis (purple) .....	} <b>\$4.25</b>
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Various colors ranging from green through pink to deep red; some heavily veined, a few rare white. Plants from 4 inch pots .... Each \$2.00

### AQUATIC COLLECTION No. 10

3 Umbrella Palms .....	} <b>\$2.00</b>
3 Water Poppy .....	
3 Parrot Feather .....	
3 Water Hyacinths .....	

### TROPICAL COLLECTION No. 12

1 Zanzibariensis Rosea .....	} <b>\$8.95</b>
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1 Mrs. George H. Pring .....	
1 Zanzibariensis Purpura .....	

## Perennial & Rock Plants

**Perennials** — One of the easiest types of flowers to grow and offering a wide range of uses. Below is a prepared list of selected perennials and rock plants that we recommend for planting around the edges of your pool. May also be used for colorful border planting or bed planted for cutting.

We suggest that you order a minimum of three plants of a variety to obtain proper color balance and mass effect.

- AJUGA REPTANS** Greenish Bronze foliage and blue flowers 4-6". June. 35¢ each \$4.00 per dozen ..... 6 at dozen rate
- ANCHUSA MYOSOTIDIFLORA** Sprays of turquoise blue flowers resembling Forget-me-nots 12-18" May-June 50¢ ea. \$5.50 dz.
- ARABIS ALBIDA FL. PL.** White double sweet scented and beautiful — suitable for sun or shade. 9". May 60¢ each \$6.25 dozen
- ACHILLEA TOMENTOSA.** Charming yellow blooming in June 8" 35¢ ea. \$5.00 dz.
- CERASTIUM TOMENTOSUM.** Silvery gray foliage with cloud of white flowers like little stars in May and June 6 inches. 35¢ each ..... \$4.00 dozen
- DIANTHUS BEATRIX.** Light scented flowers from May to Nov. 9". 50¢ ea. \$5.00 dz.
- DORONICUM EXELSIUM.** Yellow flowers 2-3" across. May. 2 ft. .... 50¢ ea. \$5.00 dz.
- HEMEROCALLIS MAJOR.** Beautiful orange-yellow flowers. May 12" 50¢ ea. \$5.00 dz.
- HEDERA HELIX BALTICA.** Baltic Ivy. Small leafed Ivy deep green color will withstand very cold weather. Excellent ground cover around pool 2 1/4 inch pots. 6 plants \$1.00, 12 plants \$2.00, 25 - \$3.75
- IRIS KAEMPFERI.** Beautiful mixed colors June 2' ..... 50¢ each \$4.00 dozen
- IBERIS SEMPERVIRENS.** Snowflake compact little bright green plant becomes a mass of white flowers in June 6 to 8 inches. 35¢ each ..... \$4.00 dozen
- NEPETA MUSSINI.** Masses of large blue flowers in June 9" 35¢ each \$4.00 dozen
- PHLOX SUBLATA.** Colors of red, pink, white and lavender 3 to 6 inches. May 35¢ each ..... \$4.00 dozen
- POLEMONIUM JACOB'S LADDER.** Clear baby-blue flowers are produced freely in April and May. .... 35¢ each \$4.00 dozen
- RANUNCULUS ACRIS FL. PL.** Double yellow buttercup-like little roses on 15" stems May and June. Plants are very neat. 35¢ each ..... \$4.00 dozen
- SANTOLINA INCANA.** Very compact with beautiful silver gray foliage with the appearance of brick coral yellow. July 6-9". 50¢ each ..... \$5.00 dozen
- SEDUM MIDDENDORFFIANUM.** 4" high yellow flowers, redish purple foliage in autumn. .... 35¢ ea. \$4.00 dz.
- STOKESIA LAVENDER QUEEN.** Silvery blue color often 5" across. 18 inches in July. 50¢ each ..... \$5.00 dozen
- TEUCRIUM CHAMAEDRYIS.** A dwarf subshrub with glossy green foliage and bright rose flowers 1' Aug. 50¢ ea., \$5.00 dz.
- THYMUS SERPYLLUM.** Creeping thyme with rosy purple flowers 2" June. 35¢ ea., \$4. dz.
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**TROPICAL COLLECTION No. 30**

Choice of blue, white, pink  
day blooming lily  
Choice of red, white, pink  
night blooming lily  
3 Umbrella Palms (Bog Plant)  
2 Japanese Taro (Bog Plant)  
3 Water Hyacinths (floating)  
3 Water Lettuce (floating)  
6 Sagattaria sinensis (oxygenating)

SPECIAL VALUE .....\$ 7.95

**HARDY COLLECTION No. 31**

Choice of 2 lilies, red, white, pink  
or yellow  
2 Arrowhead  
2 Blue Flag  
3 Floating Heart  
3 Parrot Feather  
6 Sagattaria sinensis  
3 Water Hyacinths

SPECIAL VALUE .....\$ 7.95

**COLLECTION OF ROCK GARDEN PLANTS FOR OUTSIDE OF POOL**

3 Japanese Iris  
3 Iberis Sempervirens  
3 Doronicum Excelsium  
3 Stokesia Lavender Queen

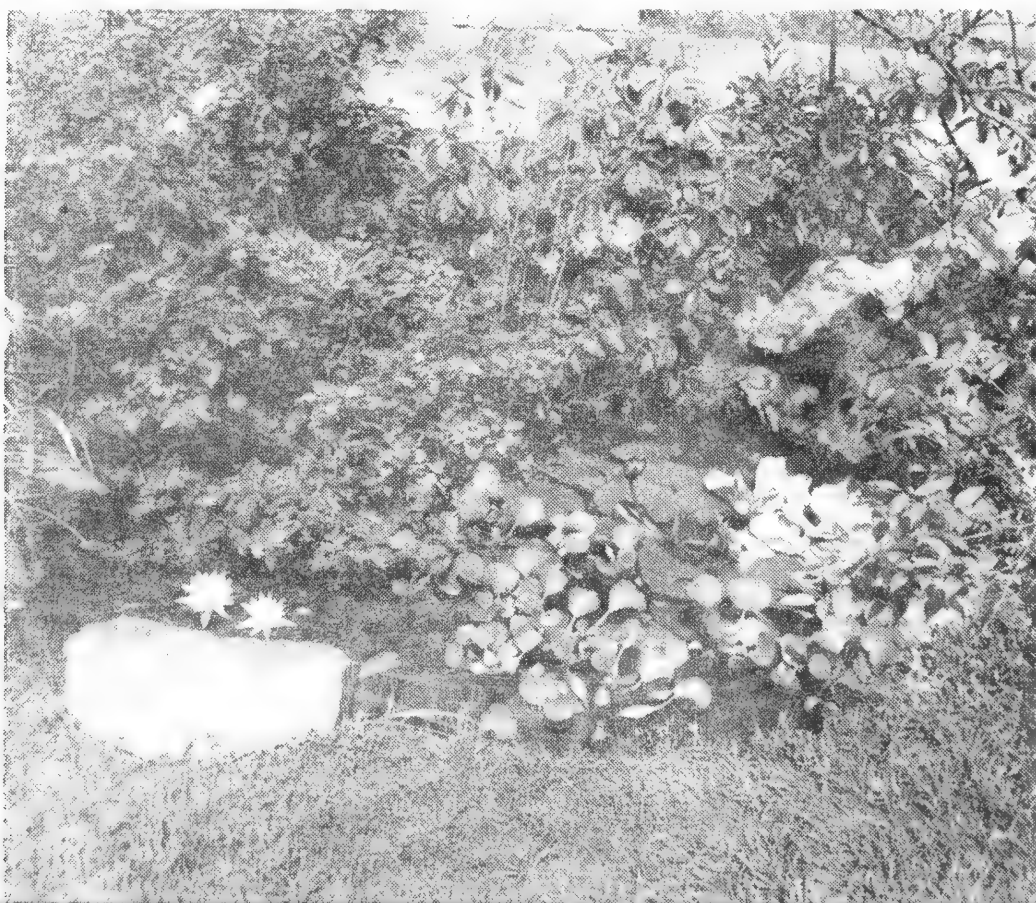
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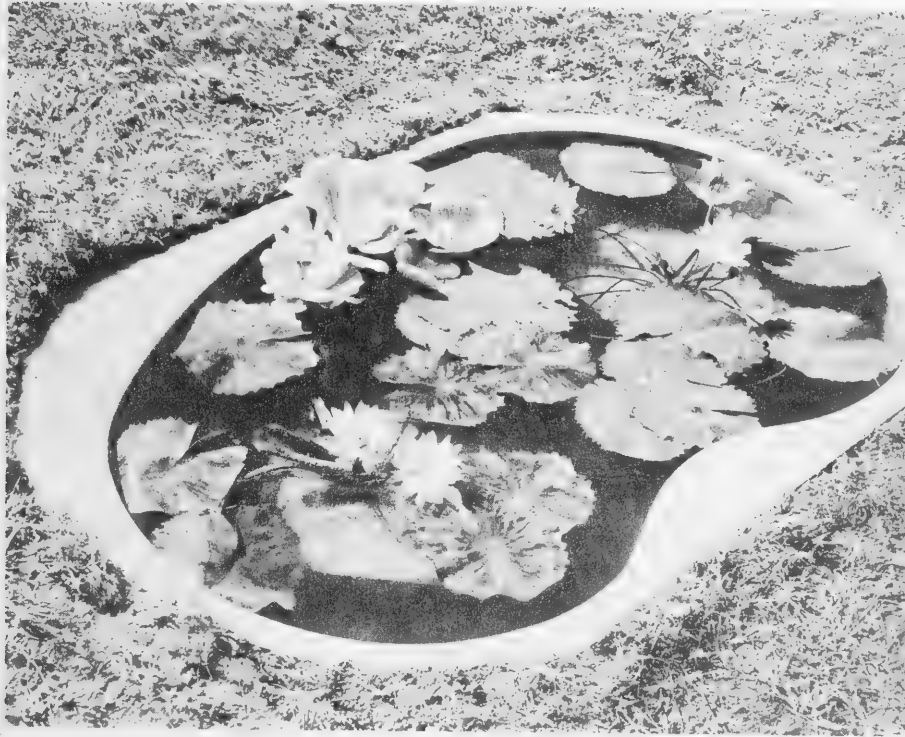
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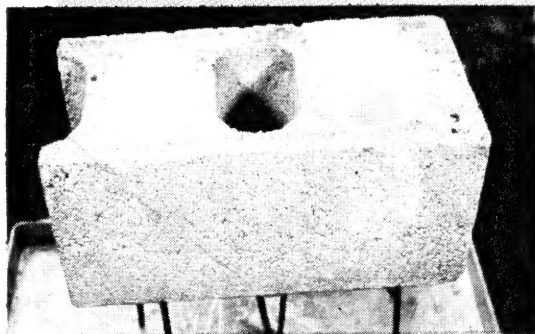
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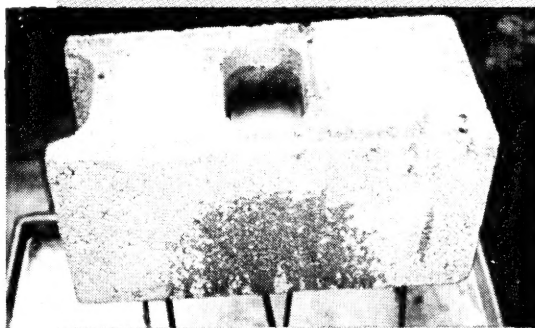
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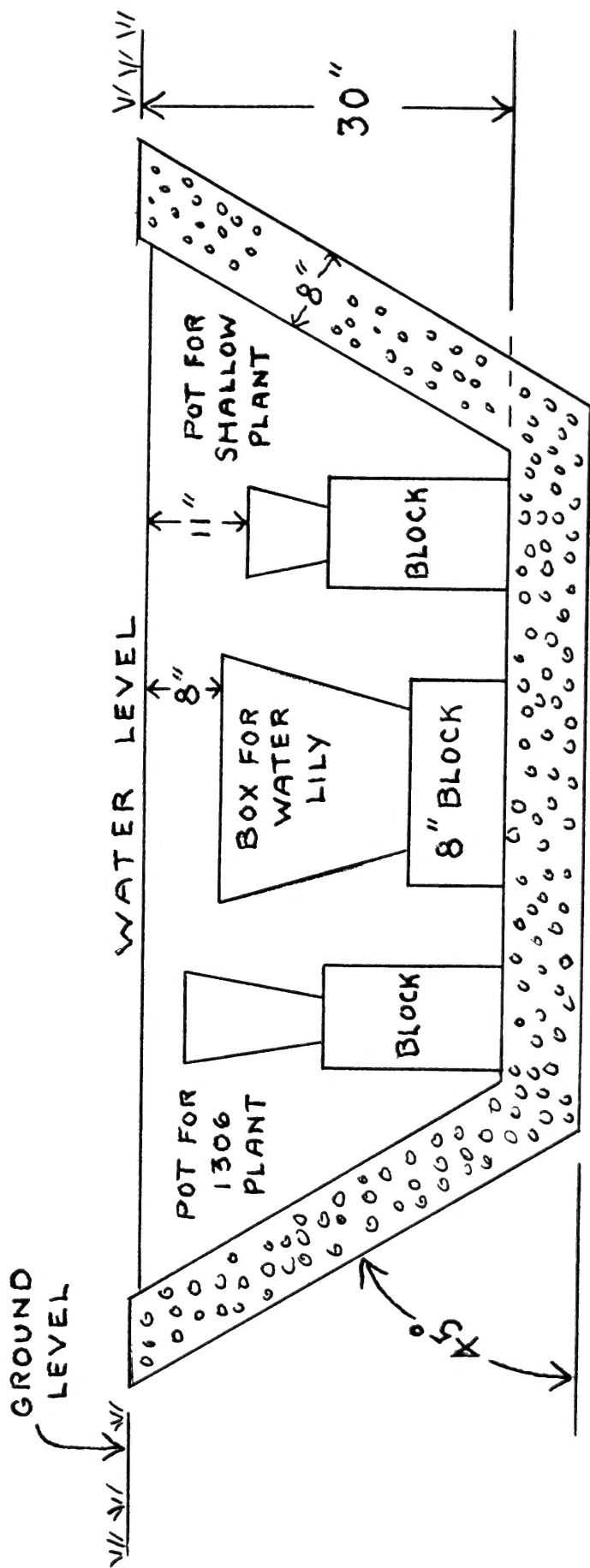
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